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It will be seen that one-half of the total number of deaths during the month was due to 2 diseases alone, i. e., malarial fever and pneumonia. The spread of pneumonia among the negroes is assuming a serious aspect and the type of the disease is severe, the mortality being as high as 75 per cent. A separate ward in the hospital for pneumonia cases has been established in which there are at present about 15 cases. An investigation is being made by the sanitary department to ascertain the cause of the spread of this disease in the different labor camps.

## Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows:

Week ended September 8, 1906. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
Sept. 1 2 4 6 7	Belvernon Katie John Wilson Fort Morgan Greenbrier	Mobile New Orleans Mobile	18	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0

## PERU.

Report from Callao—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Plague in Peru—Smallpox in Chilean ports.

Assistant Surgeon Wightman reports, August 27, as follows:

Week ended August 25, 1906: Vessels dispatched by this office as follows:

British steamship *Hampstead* on the 20th for Eureka, Cal., with

water ballast, a crew of 32, and no passengers.

German steamship *Serapis* on the 22d for San Francisco, Cal., with general cargo, a crew of 43, of whom 2 were from this port, and no passengers.

Chilean steamship *Palena* on the 24th for Ancon, Canal Zone, with general cargo and a total personnel of 212, of whom 2 new members of crew, 57 cabin and 69 steerage passengers were from this port.

All three vessels were fumigated, and steerage passengers' baggage

for the Palena was inspected and passed, or disinfected.

The following are the latest statistics of plague in Peru received from the Director de Salubridad:

Locality.	Cases Aug. 2.	New.	Recov- ered.	Died.	Remaining Aug. 16.
Lima	5	7	1	4	5
Paita		3	4	2	2
Mollendo		1	0	1	0